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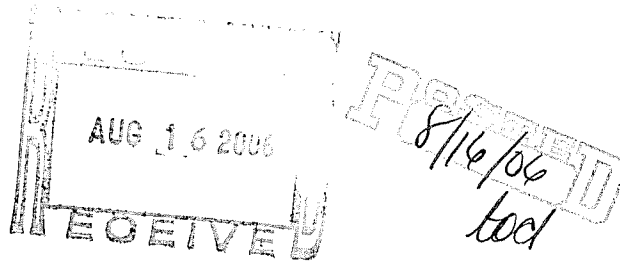
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Mr. Charles L. A. Terreni  
Chief Clerk/Administrator  
South Carolina Public Service Commission  
Synergy Business Park, The Saluda Building  
101 Executive Center Drive  
Columbia, South Carolina 29210

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**Re: Application of PRTCommunications, LLC for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Provide Local Exchange Service to Customers Located in Certain Areas of the State of South Carolina Currently Being Served by GTE South, Inc. Docket No. 2000-84-C**

PSC SC  
DOCKETING DEPT.

Dear Mr. Terreni:

Enclosed please find proofs of publication from The Index-Journal and The State newspapers of legal advertisement as required by the Commission in the above-referenced matter. This publication was made on Thursday, August 3, 2006 in The Index-Journal (Greenwood County) and on Thursday, August 8, 2006 in The State (statewide).

Please clock in a copy of these proofs of publication and return to us in the self-addressed, stamped envelope

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

Rebecca W. Martin  
Legal Secretary

RWM  
Enclosure

## LEGAL ADVERTISING ORDER AND AFFIDAVIT

7/31/06

DATE RECEIVED \_\_\_\_\_ TIMES TO RUN 1 AMOUNT CHARGED 151.62CHARGE Piedmont Rural Telephone, PO Box 249, Laurens, SC 29360Sharon O'BryantIDENTIFICATION Notice of Filing and Hearing - Docket No. 2000-84-CDATES TO RUN 8 (3) 2006

## COPY

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF  
SOUTH CAROLINA  
DOCKETING DEPARTMENT  
NOTICE OF FILING AND HEARING  
DOCKET NO. 2000-84-C

PRT Communications, LLC ("Applicant") has filed an Application with the Public Service Commission of South Carolina ("Commission") to amend its Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity, pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. § 58-9-280 and the Rules and Regulations of the Commission, to permit it to provide local exchange and exchange access service to customers located in certain exchange areas currently served by United Telephone Company of the Carolinas, Inc. (now known as "Embarq"). The Applicant proposes to expand its service to those areas currently being served by Embarq in the portion of Embarq's service area that is contiguous to the area served by Applicant's parent company, Piedmont Rural Telephone Cooperative, Inc. The area for which the Applicant seeks certification includes the following exchanges: Ware Shoals, Hodges, Greenwood, Ninety Six, Troy, Saluda, Chappells, Cross Hill, and Mountville. According to the Applicant, the Applicant will provide the same service, under the same terms and conditions, to customers located in the expanded area as it is currently providing to customers in its presently certified service area. Further, the Applicant will offer the service at rates comparable to those of the incumbent LEC serving the area.

A copy of the application is on file in the offices of the Commission, 101 Executive Center Drive, Columbia, South Carolina 29210, the Commission's website at [www.psc.sc.gov](http://www.psc.sc.gov), and is available from Margaret M. Fox, Esquire, McNair Law Firm, P.A., Post Office Box 11390, Columbia, South Carolina 29211.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE a hearing on the above matter has been scheduled to begin at 10:00 a.m. on Monday, October 9, 2006 before Hearing Examiner David Butler, Esquire in the Commission's Law Library at 101 Executive Center Drive, Saluda Building, Columbia, South Carolina 29210.

PLEASE BE ADVISED that pursuant to South Carolina Code of Laws - Section 58-9-280, as amended, the Commission will invoke the 120-day period allowed for consideration of this matter.

Any person who wishes to participate in this matter, as a party of record with the right of cross-examination should file a Petition to Intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure on or before August 29, 2006, and indicate the amount of time required for his presentation. Please include an email address for receipt of future Commission correspondence in the Petition to Intervene. Please refer to Docket No. 2000-84-C.

Any person who wishes to testify and present MUST present such comments, in person, to the Commission during the hearing.

Persons seeking information about the Commission's procedures should contact the Commission at (803) 896-5100.

Public Service Commission of South Carolina  
Attn: Docketing Department  
Post Office Drawer 11649  
Columbia, South Carolina 29211

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## COUNTY OF GREENWOOD

Before me: A Notary Public in and for the State and County aforesaid personally appeared Harry L. Garrett,who having been duly sworn, deposes and says that he is Marketing Director of The Index-Journal,

a newspaper published in Greenwood County, South Carolina, and that the attached notice appeared in its issues of

August (3) 2006Marketing Director Harry L. Garrett3<sup>rd</sup> Day of August 2006

SWORN TO and subscribed before me this

Nancy D. Jones

NOTARY PUBLIC FOR SOUTH CAROLINA

My Commission Expires 7-10-2014

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THE STATE-RECORD CO., INC.  
Columbia, South Carolina  
publisher of  
**The State**

**STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA  
COUNTY OF RICHLAND**

Personally appeared before me, Peggy Lawrence, Advertising Sales Support Manager of THE STATE, and makes oath that the advertisement,

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was inserted in THE STATE, a daily newspaper of general circulation published in the City of Columbia, State and County aforesaid, in the issues of

August 8, 2006

*Peggy Lawrence*

Subscribed and sworn to before me

on this day August 11, 2006

*Evelyn F. Harriman*

Notary Public

My commission expires  
March 10, 2013

*"Errors- the liability of the publisher on account of errors in or omissions from any advertisement will in no way exceed the amount of the charge for the space occupied by the item in error, and then only for the first incorrect insertion."*